COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE
UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

The University of Tennessee, founded in 1794, is one of the oldest educational institutions in the country. The College of Veterinary Medicine, established in 1974, is located in Knoxville on the University’s Agricultural Campus along the Tennessee River. The city, the cultural center of East Tennessee, is situated in the Appalachian foothills of east central Tennessee and is 45 minutes from the Great Smoky Mountains National Park and just three hours from the cultural and recreational opportunities of Nashville and Atlanta. The modern Clyde M. York Veterinary Medicine Building houses teaching and research facilities, the Veterinary Medical Center Teaching Hospitals, and the Agriculture-Veterinary Medicine Library.

CURRICULUM: The curriculum of the college is a nine semester, four-year program. Development of a strong basic science foundation is emphasized in the first year. The second and third years emphasize the study of diseases, their causes, diagnosis, treatment and prevention. Innovative features of this curriculum include: six weeks of student centered, small group, applied learning exercises in semesters one through five; three weeks of dedicated clinical experiences in the Veterinary Teaching Hospital in semesters three through five; and elective course opportunities in semesters four through nine which allow students to focus on specific educational/career goals. In the fourth year (last 3 semesters), students participate exclusively in clinical rotations (27 weeks of required core rotations and 17 weeks of elective rotations) in the Veterinary Teaching Hospital and in required externships.

ADMISSION PROCESS: All applicants must apply through VMCAS. Applications are accepted only from U.S. citizens and permanent residents of the United States. Completed applications are reviewed by an admissions committee. Interviews are a required part of the process and will be conducted March 19-23 (Monday-Friday), 2012. All applicants should request information from the College and visit our web site for complete details about the current requirements for admission. Fall semester 2011 transcripts are REQUIRED.

SIZE OF ENTERING CLASS: approximately 85

DEADLINE DATE: The VMCAS application must be postmarked no later than October 3, 2011.

CLASSES BEGIN: August 22, 2012

SUPPLEMENTAL PROCESSING FEE: $37. The University of Tennessee requires a processing fee to develop and maintain each applicant’s computerized database. Do not send this fee to VMCAS. You will be contacted by The University of Tennessee College of Veterinary Medicine after VMCAS forwards your application to the College. There is also a very short supplemental application available on the College’s website. If you do not have access to the web, the supplemental application will be sent to you when we receive your VMCAS application.

ADMISSION DEPOSIT: none

TUITION AND FEES: 2011-2012: $20,577.00 resident; $44,718.00 non-resident

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS: Priority is given to Tennessee residents. Admission of non-resident applicants is limited to a maximum of 25. A non-Tennessee applicant must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.20 on a 4.00 scale for his/her application to be considered. All prerequisite courses must be completed with a grade C or better. The Graduate Record Exam (GRE) General Test (Verbal, Quantitative, and Analytical) is required, and scores must be received by October 1, 2011. UT’s GRE code is 2104. Dept Code 0617. For applicants planning to matriculate in the College in August, 2012, results of GRE tests taken prior to November 1, 2007 will not be accepted. Prerequisite courses to qualify for admission to the college must include:

- General inorganic chemistry with lab
- Organic chemistry with lab
- General biology/zoology with lab
- Cellular biology
- Genetics
- Biochemistry, exclusive of laboratory
- Physics with lab
- English composition
- Social sciences/humanities

Total semester credit hours 86

* This should be a complete upper-division course in general cellular and comparative biochemistry. Half of a two-semester sequence will not satisfy this requirement. The biochemistry course requirement must have been satisfactorily completed within five years of the time you wish to enter the professional program.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to take additional biological and physical science courses especially comparative anatomy, mammalian physiology, microbiology with laboratory, and statistics.

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